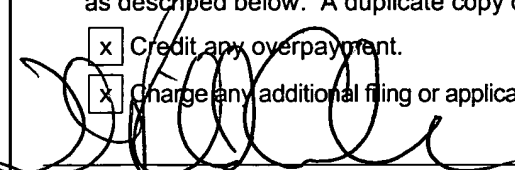


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1 and 2,
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